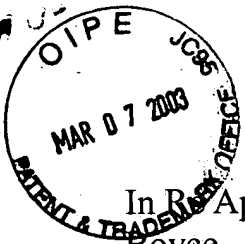


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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated 01/28/03, Applicant hereby traverses the restriction requirement and provisionally elects Group II.

A first Office Action on the merits is now respectfully awaited. The Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if he believes that an interview might be useful for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosed is an Election in connection with the U.S. Patent Application referenced above. No extension of time or other fee is believed to be due. However, any necessary extension of time is hereby requested.

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